REMARKS

In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the above referenced application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 9-21 and 24 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Chen U.S. Patent 5,963,014. Claims 1-10, 15-21, and 24 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Brake et al U.S. Patent 5,734,253. Claims 11-13, 23-24 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Brake et al in view of Chen. Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Brake et al in view of Kim et al U.S. Patent 6,765,365.

Independent Claim 1 has been amended to more specifically recite that the claimed device cradle organizer comprises a unitary base, and also includes a plurality of cradles configured to charge a plurality of portable electronic devices. Support for these limitations are found in Applicant's specification in paragraph 10 – 12. In contrast, Chen '014 teaches multiple modular bases interconnected in a daisy chain arrangement. Brake '253 teaches a plurality of chargers for battery packs, which are not portable electronic devices as described in Applicant's specification, and reiterated here in the present remarks for clarity. Claim 1 also recites a plate that is adapted to receive multiple electronic devices, not just a single device as disclosed by Chen. Independent Claim 1 is believed to define over Chen, Brake, and/or the combination of Chen in view of Brake. Applicant's invention achieves technical advantages by providing a unitary solution adapted to charge a plurality of portable electronic devices.

Dependent Claim 8 further recites at least one data connection cable coupled to at least one of the cradles, and extending from the base. Support for this limitation is found in Applicant's specification in paragraph 10 – lines 8-14, and paragraph 13. Referring to Column 6, lines 44-50 and Figure 4 of Chen, there is disclosed a wiring harness assembly 160 including a connector 180 adapted to be connected to a printed circuit board disposed in the base. See also Figure 6 and the supporting description in Column 5 lines 51-60. This wiring harness is adapted to interface the EEPROM IC chip 190 socket assembly in the base.

The invention claimed in Claim 6 achieves technical advantages in further providing a charging station allowing synchronization of the portable electronic device and a PC through the connection cable, such as disclosed in Applicant's specification in paragraph 13.

It is respectfully submitted that pending Claims 1 and 6-13 define over the prior art, and a notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

A Three month Extension of Time is included herewith along with the requisite fee.

No additional fees are believed to be due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Applicant's Deposit Account # 50-1752, should any other fees be due.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to resolve any matters which remain by Examiner's amendment where possible.

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